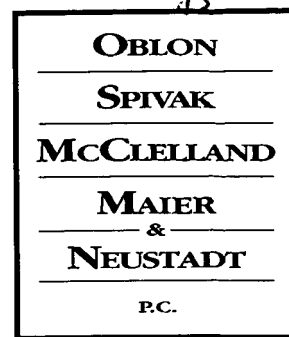




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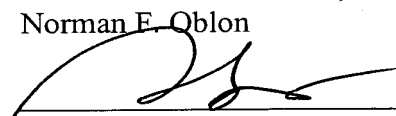
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In the Notice of Allowability mailed June 18, 2004, page 2, the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance states that the prior art does not provide for a composite substrate and recites the particulars of independent Claim 26. Additionally, the Examiner states that the prior art does not provide for a suggestion or modification to make the instantly claimed invention.

However, the Examiner does not state reasons for allowance of independent Claim 27, which is a composite substrate having a substrate and a dielectric layer composed mainly of barium titanate as recited in independent Claim 26, but also recites that the dielectric layer contains the oxides of one or more elements selected from the group consisting of rare earth elements Sc, Y, La, Ce, Pr, Nd, Pm, Sn, Eu, Gd, Tb, Dy, Ho, Er, Tm, Yb and Lu, different materials from those recited in independent Claim 26. Therefore, it is clear that the invention

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of the allowed claims is not limited to a composite substrate, as recited in independent Claim 26, but also to a composite substrate, as recited in independent Claim 27.

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